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FRUIT AND VEGETABLES FEEL THE NIPPING COLD,

But the Damage Done So Far Is Rather Problematical in General-Some Places Where There Was Ice. Situation in

Michigan and Wisconsis GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 14.-The most reliable advices obtainable here indicate that so far fruit has not been materially injured in western Michigan, but great anxiety was felt for its fate last night. The frost Monday morning had a damaging effect in some sections, but nearly all of the lake shore counties were protected by clouds. The prospects last night, however, were not encouraging. The mercury stood at 33 degrees in a driving snowstorm from the north. At 9 a. m. the snow melted as it fell, but later it began to cling to the trees and a drop of a few degrees in temperature meant a freeze that would certainly damage or entirely destroy all fruits except apples.

Same Weather, Nearly, Last Year. The snow may protect vegetables, but it cannot save fruit, unless it be the later varieties of strawberries. An inch or more of snow fell over a large portion of western Michigan on May 14 last year, and was followed by a good crop of fruit, but in that storm the mercury did not go below 82 degrees and remained at that mark only about two hours and fruit was not nearly so far advanced at that time as it is now.

DETROIT, May 14.-Snow storms were reported last night from all principal points in western Michigan and from the northern peninsula and upper portions of the southern peninsula. High winds pre-vailed throughout the state last evening, except in the southeastern portion. In the western Michigan fruit belt region the snow storms were accompanied by high winds. The consensus of dispatches from this region is that if the wind abates fruit will be badly frozen. Early vegeta-bles and small fruits have already greatly suffered, and there are gravest apprehen sions regarding the entire crop.

RAIN TURNS INTO THE "BEAUTIFUL"

Kind of May Weather Badger State Peo ple Are Experiencing.

MILWAUKEE, May 14.—The wind here at noon was blowing at the rate of thirtyfive miles an hour from the northwest. The temperature was 36 at 7 a. m. It rained during the night and during the morning hours turned into a light snow, which melted as fast as it fell. Last evening the temperature had fallen, and there was every indication of another heavy frost during the night. The air was very raw. Snow fell at Depere, Manitowoo, Madison, Chippewa Falls, Oshkosh, Appleton, Maniwa, Wausau, Palmyra and other

places, in nearly every section of the state.

The ground was covered to a depth of an inch in the northern section, but it was light at points below Green Bay and Chippewa Falls. Everything is frozen up tight at Wausau, and there is half an inch of snow on the ground, with a prospect of more. Nearly everything that grows was frozen at Viroqua, corn and vegetables being covered with a quarter of an inch of ice.

NEEHAH, Wis., May 14.-The snow storm destroyed numbers of fruit trees in this vicinity. The snow was so wet that it caused limbs of trees to break off and small trees were levelled to the ground. Snow fell again yesterday after-

noon, but it was light. SPARTA, May 14—The heavy frosts killed all of the grapes in this vicinity. Corn and potatoes that were up are cut down, but none was forward enough to be killed. Of the hundreds of acres of small fruits only about 10 or 15 per cent of the strawberries were damaged.

CUMBERLAND, Wis., May 14. - There was a very heavy frost throughout this region, killing nearly all kinds of vegetation. The ground was frozen hard enough to bear up a team of horses on the crust of plowed land. The damage to crops is very considerable and the fruit prospects

HOUGHTON, May 14.—Saturday and Sunday nights' frost damaged all fruit trees and gardens in the Lake Superior district. Vegetation was advanced three weeks earlier than usual.

GRAPE BELT HAS A CHILL.

Amount of Damage, However, Only a Matter of Guess Work Now.

BUFFALO, May 14 .- Dispatches from all over western New York prove that this section of the state has suffered from the frost, but the extent of the damage is mere guess work. Along the grape belt mere guess work. Along the grape belt in Chautauqua county the grape growers take a melancholy outlook, but it would be strange if the crop was entirely destroyed, as some alarming dispatches say. In Niagera county, where small fruits are freely raised, there is a disposition to take a gloomy view of the ravages of the frest, but conservative judges think the damage not general or severe. damage not general or severe.

Next to grapes strawberries, perhaps, have been most seriously hurt. In Alle-gheney county the lowest temperature is recorded—25 degrees—and it is likely that all kinds of fruits have been damaged. In Genessee county it is said that the frost has killed the worms, but that the apples are not hurt. Dispatches from western Ontario indicate that the temperature was very low there and the damage perhaps very much heavier than on this side

New York, May 14.—Reports from many sections of the state indicate that Sunday night's frost did an immense sunday night's trost did an immense amount of damage to growing vegetables, crops and fruit. At Dunkirk, the thermoneter feil to 25 degrees. Every grape vine is destroyed. Silver Creek last year shipped 2,000 cars. This place is remarkably will sheltered. Everything is destroyed. At Forestville every farmer had planted every available seems. had planted every available acre in grapes, and the frost ruined every vine. Other fruits suffered nearly as much. There will

be no cherries. Ripley, where nearly 400 cars were shipped last year, this year will not have one basket of grapes. The grape growers are demoralized and do not know what they will do. At Westfield the vines are entirely cut down. Some growers will plough up their vineyards and return to the old style of general farming. Brockton, generally known as the center of the Chautauqua grape beit, is in mourning. Nothing is raised there but grapes and the frost cut them all down.

Gerry Rickmann, the millionaire grower and wine manufacturer, says the loss in the belt by reason of the destruction done to the grapes will reach at least \$2,000,000.

His own loss he estimates at \$250,000. At Fredonia nothing of the grape crop can be saved. Had fire gone through the vine-yards it could not have been more thorough in its effects.

THE STORM WAS A "CORKER."

What the Weather Sharp at Chicago Has

to Say of the "Snap," CHICAGO, May 14 - Michigan's many peach orchards, which for the past ten days have furnished the prettiest of effects in pink, are now covered with a robe of white. A snowstorm worthy of winter is in possession of the land of the Wolver-"The storm is a corker," said Professor Moore yesterday afternoon as he looked anxiously over the weather map. "It is snowing hard in northern Michigan and Wisconsin, and the mercurs is down to the freezing point. Frost condidown to the freezing point. Frost condi-tions rule again today throughout the Dakotas, Minnesots, and Nebraska, and were it not for her proximity to Lake Michigan Chicago would be now experiencing similar weather.

"The freezing temperature will be felt throughout Illinois, Indiana and Iowa tonight, and even Missouri will not be wholly exempt from the fruit-killing invader. At this moment the storm is central between Grand Haven and this city, but will commence to lose its strength at sunset, die out by midnight and tomorrow we shall have calm, clear and bright weather with a rising thermometer. I have had storm signals displayed at all lake ports, and warned shipmasters that they should not leave port prior to mid-night."

Heavy Frost Near Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, May 14 .- The thermometer in and about Pittsburg marked 30 degrees. There was a very heavy frost and in many places ice an eighth of an inch thick was formed. Most of the early garden truck and small fruits were de-stroyed. Nearly all the apples on low ground are frosted. Even the leaves of the forest trees are blighted. Reports from all over western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohle and West Virginia indicate that the frost was as severe there as here.

ERIE, Pa., May 14.—The grape crop in this section will be a complete failure because of Sunday night's frost. In this county 4,000 acres of vineyards were de-stroyed and in Chautauqua county, N.Y., easily 6,000 acres are ruined. These vine-yards in good years net \$150 an acre, so that the financial loss to the grape-growers in the two counties will reach \$1,500,-

North Dakota Is in Luck. FARGO, N. D., May 14.-While the frost

was general Sunday night little harm was done. Corn and potatoes were out some, but though the season is three weeks earlier than usual they were not advanced so far as to be subject to injury.

Crops Nipped in West Virginia. CHARLESTON, May 14.—Reports from the northern part of this state show much damage to crops and fruit from the frost. Along in the west-ern part of the state corn was nipped so as to require replanting.

Killed All Small Vegetables.

LACON, Ilis., May 14—In Marshall county the frost killed all small vegetables; fruit not injured; all corn and grain frosted yellow, but will only delay crops from two to five weeks.

WAR ON THE RACE TRACKS.

Hawthorne at Chicago Closed and Ed Corrigan Arrested.

CHICAGO, May 11 .- It is cold weather sports at race tracks now, with a law in for New York that spoils the business of the bookmakers, Roby in Indiana shut down by Hoosier law, and, now Hawtherne in this city closed for alleged violation of the statute. This latter came off when 150 deputy sheriffs marched on the ground and proceeded to gather in Edward Corrigan, master of Hawthorne; John Brennock, his business partner; Joseph F. Ull-man, proprietor of the foreign book, and twenty-six smaller fry. The prisoners were all admitted to bail in \$300 each.

The officials of the Civic Federation have determined that there shall be no racing contrary to law in Cook county this year, and they declare they will re-peat the raids as often as the management of Hawthorne cares to open up.

Laws Decided Constitutional.

COLUMBUS, O., May 15.-The supreme court has decided the law constitutional which requires the Fidelity and Casualty company, of New York, and similar companies to deposit \$50,000 with the state treasurer to do business in Ohio. The pure food law of Ohio was also declared constitutional in a vinegar case.

Trouble in Minnesota Ended.

DULUTH, May 15 .- The trouble at Virginia is practically over. While the miners have not declared the strike off as yet, the Franklin mine started up this morning with a new crew under the protection of the deputies and there is no apprehension of further trouble.

MACKINAW CITY, May 11.—The steamers Joseph L. Hurd and Cayuga collided off Skilligalee fog horn during a fog and the Cayuga went to the bottom, the Hurd being kept afloat by her cargo of lumber. George Johnson, cook of the Hurd, was

Baptists Adopt the Tithing System.

WASHINGTON, May 18 .- At the Southern Baptist church convention the report of the committee on tithing recom-mended that members contribute onetenth of their incomes to the church. The report was adopted by a viva voce Schweinfurth Must Stand Trial.

ROCKFORD, Ills., May 11.-In the cir-

cuit court Judge Shaw overruled the mo-tion to quash the indictments against George Jacob Schweinfurth and three angels and they must stand trial. The case may come to trial next week. THE DEATH RECORD.

JAMES A. WESTON, ex-governor of New Hampshire, at Manchester, N. H. DANIEL B. EVANS, prominent and repected citizen of Greenville, Ills.

GEORGE B. JOINER, oldest member of

the Iroquois county bar, at Watseka, Ills. ANDREW H. LUCAS, well-known inventor, at St. Louis.
Ex-Congressman ANDREW H. HAMIL-

TON, at Fort Wayne, Ind.
M. D. CRAMBERLAIN, ploneer business man of Freeport, Ilis. THOMAS BRADY, an old resident and

business man of Kewance, Ills,
CYRUS W. EATON, prominent in Masonic circles, at Cedar Rapids, Ia.
General Josaph H. Colton, of the Southern army, at New York.
THEODORE H. HINCHMAN, prominent business man of Detroit.

HISTORY OF A WEEK

Thursday, May 9.

British Columbia canners have peti-tioned the Canadian government to place salmon on the free list to enable them to

meet American competition. Obituary: At St. Johns, N. B., Josef Heine, the bl.nd violinist. At Yankton, S. D. ex-Mayor Potter. At Oregon, Ills.,

Clarence A. Anderson, 46. Colonel and Mrs. Joseph Wentworth celebrated their golden wedding at Con-cord, N. H. Colonel Wentworth is a brother of the late "Long John" Wentworth, of Chicago.

About 1,500 delegates are in attendance on the general convention of the Southern Baptist church, which is in session at Washington.

The cause of insurrection in Equador this time is the fact that the president has resigned and the vice president, who succeeds, is not popular.

Charles L. Fair, the dead millionaire's son, will risk forfeiture of his legacy and contest his father's will. His lawyers hope to prevent forfeiture through a tech nicality

The Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs s in convention at Cedar Rapids with about 250 delegates present.

Friday, May 10.

Dr. Buchanan, whose execution has been twice deferred, may remain at Sing Sing some time longer. His attorney claims that he is legally dead and cannot be executed, the time set for his execution having passed.

Lincoln's birthday has been made a legal holiday by the New York legislature. C. W. Nehrbras, agent for the Deering Machine company of Chicago, lost his life in a fire which destroyed the Hotel Arlington at Montrose, Colo.

Trustees of Episcopal church property in Mississippi are charged by a committee with badly, almost criminally, misman-aging their trust.

The Amalgamated Association of Tin, Iron, and Steel Workers and the Mer-chants' Bar Iron Manufacturers' National association have gone into a combine to raise prices of the product and wages of

Charles S. Fairchild succeeds William R. Grace as executive chairman of the New York State Democracy.

Saturday, May 11.

Harold Ethelbert Addison, of Chicago, won the first prize in the Boylston prize speaking contest at Harvard university. The "greater New York" bill was de-

feated in the New York state senate. Chinch bugs are injuring rye and barley in western Nebraska.

Ex-Solicitor Eugene D. Carter, one of the most prominent Democrats in North Carolina, has published a letter in the State Register withdrawing from the Democratic party and announcing his affiliation with the Republicans.

An Easter egg of pure gold, containing a pearl necklace, to wear on her wedding day, was the present received by a London beauty this year.

Seventy-five per cent. of the enlistments in the regular army last year were of

The new Democratic paper to be published at Chicago will be called The Chronicle, and it is said that John R. Walsh is backing the enterprise.

The revolution in Ecuador is reported to

be everywhere gaining ground. Monday, May 13.

Hanged by the sheriff: At Canon City, Colo., Thomas Jordan and Peter Augusta; there had been ten reprieves in each case. At St. Louis, James Murray, negro, for the murder of a street rallway conductor; Ed Murray, brother of James swung off an hour later at Herman, Mo., for the same crime. At St. Joseph, Mo., Joseph Burries, negro, whose crime was attempted assault on a child.

The session of the National League of Musicians at Cleveland voted unanimously not to affiliate with the American Fed eration of Labor.

A three-story elevator at Oshkosh, Wis. collapsed and is a total wreck. The ele-vator contained 20,000 bushels of oats. The order of Railroad Telegraphers of North America will meet in annual convention at St. Louis May 20,

The Milwaukee and Waukesha Railway company, with a capital of \$1,000,000, has been organized. The city council of Ripon, Wis., has

passed an ordinance requiring a license fee of \$500 for the sale of cigarettes. This virtually prohibits their sale

Tuesday, May 14. The Salvation Army is preparing to invade China, the leader in the movement being a young Chinese convert.

A special from Tokio, Japan, alleges that the last battle of the war between Japan and China at Tien Chwangtai

March 10, resulted in a butchery equal to the atrocities of Port Arthur. Fire at Port Huron destroyed McMorran & Co.'s grain elevator and Davidson & McMorran's flour mill. Loss, \$175,000.

Some miscreant throw a dynamite bomb at a non-union boarding house in East St. Louis. No one was hurt, but the building was badly damaged.

George Culp, who celebrated his 86th birthday at Goshen, Ind., is the father of ten children, grandfather of 105, and great grandfather of 106.

Gail Hamilton, who was reported to be seriously ill at Washington, is improving. The wardepartment has closed all the mills on Fox river, Wis., by stopping the use of the power, owing to lack of water.

Wednesday. May 15. J. Edward Addicks has been elected

president of all the gas companies com-prising the Bay State combination. A three-foot vein of gold-bearing quartz has been found near Guntersville, Ala. A strong shock of earthquake was felt at Corfu, Greece, at midnight. No dam-

Australian colonies are enthusiastic over the British Pacific cable scheme, and each will vote a bonus to aid its construc-tion.

John R. Rogers, the theatrical manager, has obtained, at London, a decree of divorce nisi against his wife, Minnie

Herman Whipple, of Solon, Me., a wellknown lumber operator, was beaten out of \$10,000 by the gold brick trick.

A package containing three vials of nitro-glycerine was found on the sidewalk near ex-Speaker Reed's home in Portland, Me., and the police believe it proof of a plot against the ex-speaker.

By the collapse of a flue in the boliers of the steamer Unique in Lake St. Clair, between Detroit and Port Huron, George Robinson, the engineer, and Anthony Cast, coal passer, lost their lives, and John Plant, fireman, was fearfully, prob-ably fatally, scalded. No others were in-

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